

House File 2481

H-8307

1 Amend House File 2481 as follows:  
2 1. Page 28, after line 15 by inserting:  
3 <Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. ECONOMIC IMPACT OF IOWA'S WHITETAIL  
4 POPULATION ON THE STATE ECONOMY — JOINT STUDY. The  
5 department of natural resources and the department  
6 of transportation shall conduct a comprehensive  
7 study regarding the impact of Iowa's whitetail deer  
8 population on the state's economy during a typical  
9 year.  
10 1. In conducting the study, the departments shall  
11 provide a cost-benefit analysis which accounts for all  
12 relevant and available data concerning the economic  
13 impacts associated with maintaining the current deer  
14 population, including all of the following:  
15 a. The estimated revenue generated by resident and  
16 nonresident deer hunters, including revenue collected  
17 by the state from license fees and indirect revenue  
18 generated from persons who expend money in this state  
19 as a result of hunting. The departments shall not  
20 consider the economic revenue associated with hunting  
21 preserves under chapter 484B.  
22 b. The estimated costs incurred due to traffic  
23 collisions caused by deer; damages to private land  
24 including but not limited to crop damage; and damage to  
25 public land, including damage to habitat.  
26 2. The departments shall cooperate with local  
27 governments and other state agencies, including but  
28 not limited to the department of agriculture and land  
29 stewardship, in conducting the study. The departments  
30 may also cooperate with the United States department  
31 of agriculture, the United States department of  
32 transportation, the national highway traffic safety  
33 administration, and private organizations, including  
34 but not limited to the insurance institute for highway  
35 safety, in conducting the study.  
36 3. The departments shall prepare a joint report  
37 including their findings. The report may include a  
38 target whitetail deer population that achieves the best  
39 economic value to the state. The departments shall  
40 submit the joint report to the governor and general  
41 assembly in an electronic format by January 10, 2011.  
42 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT. The section of  
43 this Act requiring a comprehensive study of the impact  
44 of Iowa's whitetail deer population on the state's  
45 economy, being deemed of immediate importance, takes  
46 effect upon enactment.>  
47 2. Title page, line 3, by striking <and making  
48 penalties applicable> and inserting <making penalties  
49 applicable, and including effective date provisions>

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